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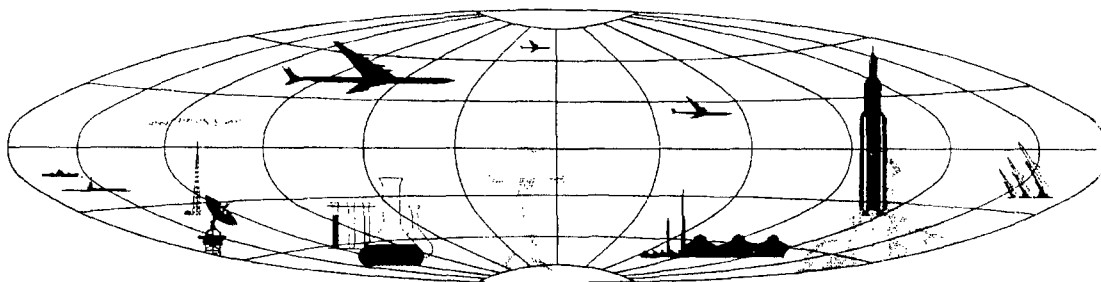
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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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CHERKASSY TRAINING AREA WEST
(49-27N 031-51E)
CHERKASSY, CHERKASSKAYA OBLAST, USSR
KIEV MD

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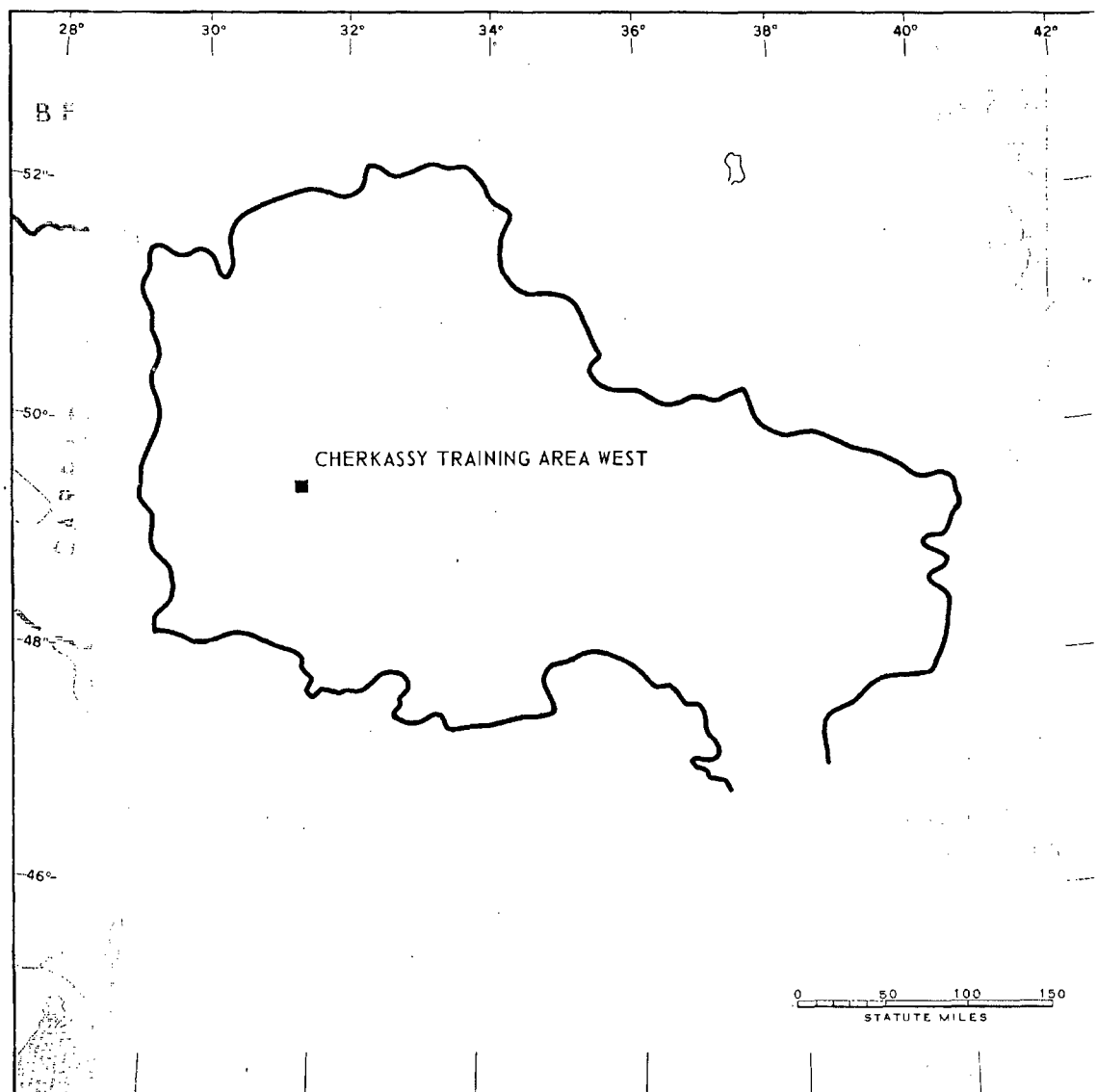


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF CHERKASSY TRAINING AREA WEST.

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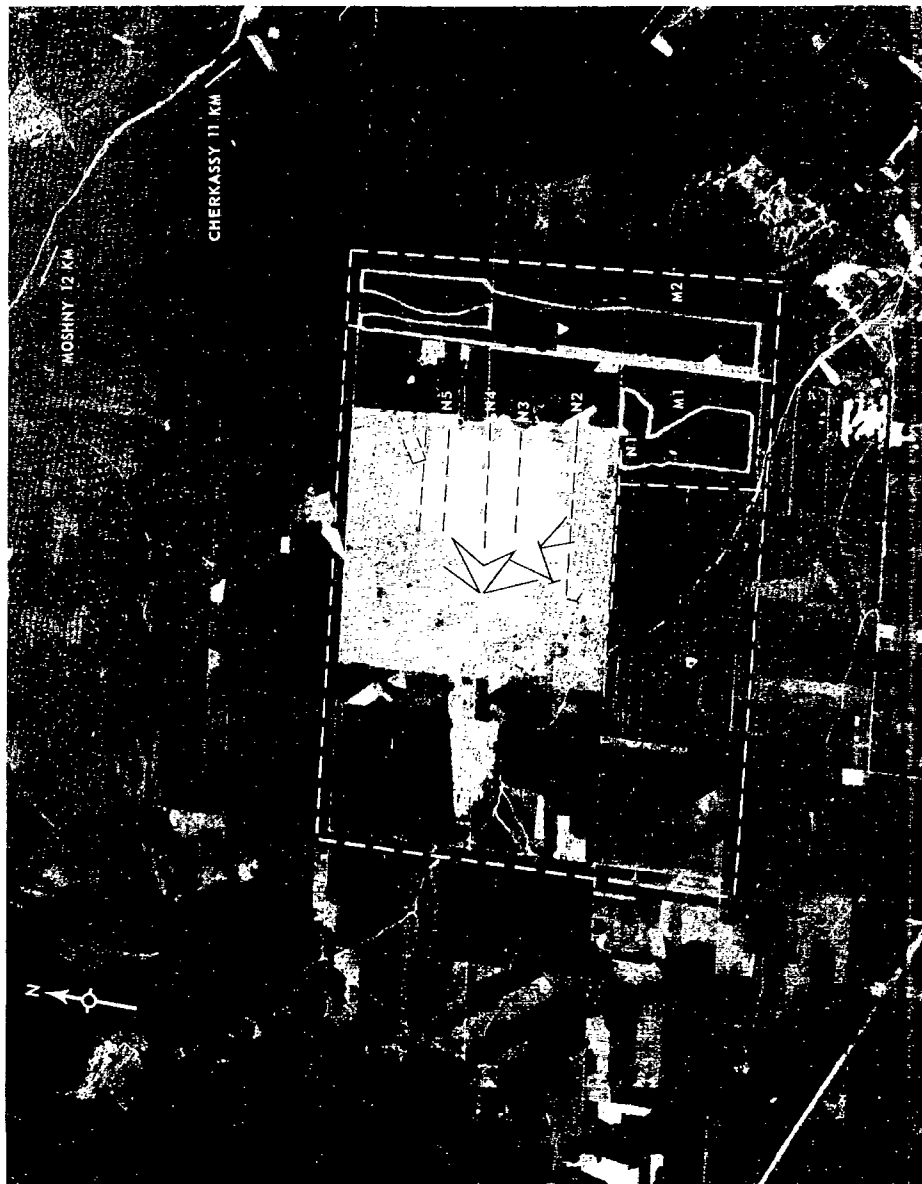


FIGURE 2. CHERKASSY TRAINING AREA WEST, CHERKASSY, USSR, JUNE 1964.

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SUMMARY

Cherkassy Training Area West is located 15 kilometers (km) west-northwest of Cherkassy (Figure 1). This training area was formerly known as Cherkassy Barracks and Maneuver Area Irdyn.

The training area covers approximately 1,900 acres and contains 5 tank/assault-gun firing ranges, 2 driver-training courses, a probable small-arms firing range, 6 range control buildings, and 4 range support buildings (Figure 2). No billeting or other support facilities are observed.

The training area was covered on 7 KEYHOLE missions between June 1961 and June 1964. Comparative analysis reveals light-to-medium activity during the summer months. No activity was observed on photography of December 1963. Significant changes from June 1961 to June 1964 include the addition of the 2 driver-training courses by July 1962, a tank/assault-gun firing range by June 1964, and 2 range support buildings between July 1963 and June 1964.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Road Service

Secondary, probably all-weather roads provide access to Cherkassy.

Buildings and Facilities

Six range control buildings and 4 range support buildings are along the eastern ends of the tank/assault-gun firing ranges. Two of the range support buildings were added between July 1963 and June 1964.

Small-Arms Firing Range

Area L is a probable small-arms firing range, 400 by 100 feet. It appears to be lightly used.

Driver-Training Areas

Area M1 is a tracked-vehicle driver-training course. Light-to-medium activity was observed in this area.

Area M2 is a wheeled-vehicle driver-training course. Activity observed in this area has been very light.

These courses were added between June 1961 and July 1962. No activity was observed on photography of December 1963 when the area was snow covered.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Ranges

Area N1 is a 4,000-foot range with a static firing line and 2 moving-target runs.

Area N2 is a 3,500-foot range with 6 firing lanes (each 2,450 feet long) and 4 moving-target runs.

Area N3 is a 4,200-foot range with 6 firing lanes (each 2,450 feet long) and 3 moving-target runs.

Area N4 is a 4,200-foot range with 6 firing lanes (each 2,450 feet long) and 3 moving-target runs.

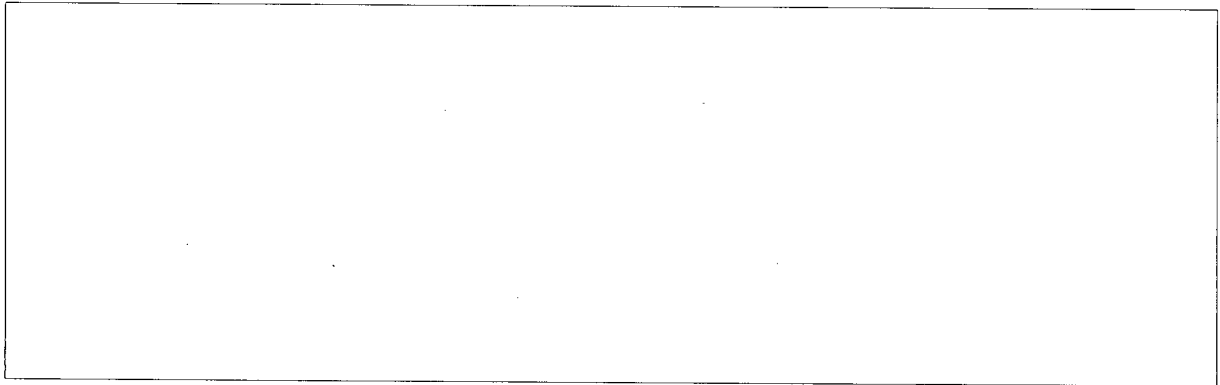
Area N5 is a 1,500-foot range with a static firing line and fixed targets. This area was first observed on photography of June 1964.

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